

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

January 22, 2001
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DAN CLAWSON, Council President; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN; TONI NELSON.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; MIKE WEBBY, Human Resources & Risk Management Administrator; SANDRA MEYER, Transportation Systems Director; DENNIS CULP, Facilities Director; CHIEF LEE WHEELER, Fire Department; DEPUTY CHIEF GLEN GORDON, Fire Department; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; JULIE BREWER, Community Relations Manager; CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON, Police Department.

**APPROVAL OF
COUNCIL MINUTES**

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2001, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**

Human Services: South King
County Community Network

Ken Hoben, Past Chair of South King County Community Network (SKCCN), explained that the organization focuses on the problems that youth face in South King County. Encompassing an area with over 600,000 in population including over 100,000 youth, SKCCN has developed a comprehensive plan to address problem behaviors as identified by the State Legislature. Those behaviors include: substance abuse, violent delinquent acts, child abuse and neglect, domestic violence, teen pregnancy, school dropout, and teen suicide attempts. Mr. Hoben said that SKCCN is mandated by the Legislature to work with agencies, cities, school boards, and all persons interested in trying to find solutions to the problems youths face.

Kay Lasco, Chair of South King County Community Network, reported that SKCCN will be hosting community dialogues in the near future. She said she is looking forward to working with Councilmembers at upcoming community dialogues, which are a way for the community and government to work together to identify gaps in services and to develop strategies to solve problems.

Fire: Meritorious Award
Presentation

Fire Chief Lee Wheeler presented meritorious awards to Nathan Glaefke, Bob Mountjoy, Frank Sutter and Bill Larson for their efforts in resuscitating Orlando "Doc" Bresson after he suffered heart failure while mowing his front lawn in May of 1999. Chief Wheeler noted that quick thinking during an emergency situation saved Mr. Bresson's life and he thanked the neighbors for their efforts.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2001 and beyond. Items noted included:

✱ Jazz n' January, a benefit for the Renton Community Foundation, will

feature a star lineup of jazz musicians and a buffet dinner at McGowan's Restaurant and Lounge on Monday, January 29th. For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 425-226-4560.

- * Everyone is invited to visit the new *Century to Century* exhibit at the Renton Historical Museum which explores Renton's development over the past 100 years. The museum is open Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday through Sunday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
- * Councilman Randy Corman provided testimony on behalf of Renton at the January 19th State Senate Environment, Water, and Energy Committee regarding the State Pipeline Safety Fee Bill.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Larson – I-405 Corridor Program

Ruth Larson, 714 High Ave. S., Renton, 98055, spoke on the subject of the I-405 Corridor Program. She recalled that during the I-405 S-curve project, WSDOT erected a building and a cement platform in the new Renton Hill park. She said those items were not included in the State's Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and cautioned Council to monitor the new I-405 project very closely.

Ms. Larson also expressed her concern for the families who may lose their homes due to the I-405 improvements. She commented that she hoped WSDOT would provide those families with a specific project timeline since homeowners should have a say regarding the timing of their move, and the funds should be made available when the family requests it.

Citizen Comment: Reynolds – Sound Transit Bus Traffic on Logan Ave S

Glen Reynolds, 55 Logan Ave. S., Renton, 98055, expressed his concerns regarding Metro buses using Logan Ave. S. as an access to the Transit Center. He submitted a petition containing 14 signatures of citizens residing on Logan Ave. S. asking that the City do something about the problems of noise and the number of buses. Mr. Reynolds also noted that many buses exceed the posted speed limit of 25 mph.

Responding to Mayor Tanner's inquiry regarding whether Sound Transit or Metro buses are using Logan Ave. S. as a bus route, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman confirmed that Sound Transit buses are using the route but he pointed out that Sound Transit is operated by King County Metro. Mr. Zimmerman stated that the Transportation Division staff is drafting a report describing the process that was undergone in order to select Logan Ave. S. as the main bus route for Sound Transit. He said that the report will be forwarded to Council within the week.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER THE PETITION REGARDING THE REROUTING OF TRANSIT BUSES FROM LOGAN AVE. S. TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

Appointment: Planning Commission

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Mayor Tanner reappointed Ray Giometti, 323 Pelly Ave. N., Renton, 98055, to the Planning Commission for a three-year term expiring 1/31/2004. Council concur.

CAG: 00-179, Senior Center Sun Room Installation, Sound Glass Sales

City Clerk reported bid opening on 12/28/2000 for CAG-00-179, Renton Senior Center Sun Room Installation; three bids; project estimate \$50,000; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Sound Glass Sales, Inc., in the amount of \$46,497.09. Council concur.

Franchise: Adelphia Business

Development Services Division recommended approval of a franchise agreement

Solutions Operations, Fiber Optics System	with Adelphia Business Solutions Operations, Inc., to install a fiber optics system for eventual local service. Refer to <u>Transportation Committee</u> .
Franchise: XO Washington, Fiber Optics System	Development Services Division recommended approval of a franchise agreement with XO Washington, Inc., to install a fiber optics system for eventual local telecommunication service. Refer to <u>Transportation Committee</u> .
Plat: Liberty Ridge, Vicinity of NE 3rd & 4th Sts; Edmonds Ave NE & Maple Valley Hwy (PP-00-123)	Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Liberty Ridge Preliminary Plat; 436 single-family lots on 107.5 acres located south of NE 3rd and 4th Streets, east of Edmonds Ave. NE, and north of Maple Valley Hwy. (PP-00-123). Council concur.
Human Resources: Dept of Retirement Systems Audit Update	Human Resources & Risk Management Department submitted an update of the Department of Retirement Systems Audit of the City from January 1, 1999, through December 31, 1999. Refer to <u>Finance Committee</u> .
Human Resources: Healthcare Plan Modifications	Human Resources & Risk Management Department recommended approval of modifications to the City's healthcare plan effective 02/01/2001 and submitted Healthcare Benefits Task Force recommendations. Refer to <u>Finance Committee</u> .
Legal: Nuisance Abatement Procedure	Legal Division recommended approval of an ordinance that provides a comprehensive nuisance abatement procedure for the City by establishing and defining what constitutes a nuisance; by providing for the correction, abatement, enforcement, recovery of costs and attorney's fees; and declaring interference to be a misdemeanor and establishing penalties. Refer to <u>Planning & Development Committee</u> .
Police: Valley Special Response Team Establishment, Port of Seattle, Auburn, Kent & Tukwila	Police Department requested approval of an interlocal agreement with the Port of Seattle and the Municipalities of Auburn, Kent and Tukwila to establish a Valley Special Response Team in order to provide a coordinated effort towards the effective resolution of high-risk incidents. Refer to <u>Public Safety Committee</u> .
Utility: Wells 1 2 & 3 CT Pipeline Design & Construction, Dept of Health & RH2 Engineering	Utility Systems Division requested approval of a bi-lateral agreement with the State Health Department to satisfy the requirement that the City provide additional disinfectant contact time for Wells 1, 2 & 3 by agreeing to complete the design in 2001 and construct the CT pipeline in 2002; and approval of an agreement in the amount of \$195,909 with RH2 Engineering, Inc., for the design of the facilities. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole

WSDOT: I-405 Corridor Program Preferred Alternative

Council President Clawson presented a report regarding the I-405 Corridor Program. On January 22, 2001, WSDOT presented the Council with four alternatives to help ease the congestion on the I-405 corridor. Alternative 1 – High Capacity Transit/TDM, Alternative 2 – Transit, Alternative 3 – Mixed Mode, and Alternative 4 – Roadway Capacity.

The Committee of the Whole recommended that Council endorse WSDOT's Alternative Number 3 with several conditions put forth, including, but not limited to, installation of a lid over the freeway between Cedar Ave. and Renton Ave., adequate noise walls along the corridor to mitigate impacts to neighborhoods, and noise mitigation measures for interchange ramps. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor be authorized to send a letter stating the City's endorsement with the conditions indicated and additional conditions determined by members of the Committee. The Committee directs staff to organize a public meeting in the coming weeks to provide information and accept public comment

on this important project.

The Committee also recommended that Council reserve the right to change its position as more specific information becomes available on each alternative, and upon receipt and review of citizen comment and input. **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Utilities Committee

Latecomer Agreement: City Code Changes

Utilities Committee Chair Briere presented a report regarding the amendment to City Code Title IV (Development Regulations) and Title IX (Public Ways and Property). The City Code, which establishes and regulates private developer latecomer agreements, provides for payment of initial processing fees as well as retention of 15% of the developer funds recovered to reimburse the City of Renton for the staff time required to collect the funds, forward payments to the developer, and maintain records of payments made. Staff has recommended amendments to Sections 4-1-180A, 9-5-5C3a, 9-5-5C3c and 9-5-10 of City Code to effect minor corrections and reflect proportionate staff time required to provide these services.

The Committee recommended that Council adopt the staff-recommended amendments to Titles 4 and 9 of the City Code. **MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.** (See page 19 for ordinance.)

Finance Committee

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 188925 - 189462, and one wire transfer totaling \$2,970,109.31; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 29397 - 29609 and 524 direct deposits totaling \$1,010,146.06. **MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Community Event: Renton River Days Rubber Ducky Derby, Request for Shoreline Development Permit Fee Waiver

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report regarding a fee waiver for the Renton River Days Rubber Ducky Derby. Staff reviewed the request for a Substantial Shorelines Permit for the Rubber Ducky Derby and determined that this proposal is exempt for the requirement for this type of permit. Therefore, no permit fee payment is required. **MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Airport: Business Plan

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the Renton Municipal Airport 20-year Business Plan. The Committee believes that a Business Plan is needed for the Renton Municipal Airport in order to provide guidance on such key issues as desired airport uses, compatibility with neighborhoods and the community, implementation of the City's Business Plan Goals, and meeting the market needs and demands of the airport users. The first step will be for the Administration to solicit the services (request for proposal) of professional consultants with a strong specialty in airport operations to prepare such a plan. The Committee recommended that the City Council direct the Administration to issue a request for proposal to professional service consultants to prepare a 20-year Business Plan for the Renton Municipal Airport, and to bring a recommended proposal and cost back to the Committee for further review.

Responding to Councilman Persson's inquiry, Mayor Tanner affirmed that staff will be working closely with the Transportation Committee, or anyone else the Council designates, in creating the request for proposal.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Community Services
Committee

Executive: CitySource Printing
& Distribution (Renton
Reporter)

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report regarding the contract with the *Renton Reporter* to print and distribute *CitySource*. The City requested proposals to print and distribute the City's external newsletter, *CitySource*. A proposal was received from the *Renton Reporter*. Since 1995, the City has used the *Renton Reporter* for advertising timely information to residents in a cost-effective manner. Past surveys (the pool survey and Cable Channel survey) indicate that Renton residents obtain information about the City from the *Renton Reporter*.

The *Renton Reporter's* proposal guarantees free delivery of the newspaper that carries *CitySource* to every household within the Renton City limits. *CitySource* will run as a two-page advertisement, normally falling in the center section. Total cost for the two-pages will be \$3,060 per month. This cost includes 31,000 copies mailed to residents and guarantees full process color. This rate will be honored for 2001 and 2002, with adjustments limited only to unforeseen postal-rate or newsprint increases. These adjustments will be limited to the actual cost increases, with newsprint calculated to the actual amount used by *CitySource*.

The Committee recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a two-year contract with the *Renton Reporter* to distribute *CitySource*.

Councilwoman Nelson reported that the contract is less per month than the previous two years despite the fact that it is serving more citizens. She noted that *CitySource* will appear in the Renton Reporter using a two-page format once a month instead of the one-page format twice a month formerly used.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**ORDINANCES AND
RESOLUTIONS**

Latecomer Agreement: City
Code Changes

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 02/05/2001 for second and final reading:

An ordinance was read amending Sections 4-1-180.A.1 of Chapter 1, Administration and Enforcement, of Title IV (Development Regulations) and Sections 9-5-5.C.3.a, 9-5-5.C.3.c, 9-5-9, and 9-5-10 of Chapter 5, Latecomer Agreements, of Title IX (Public Ways and Property) of City Code by changing the service fees and conditions required of private developers. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 02/05/2001. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Transportation: Downtown
Renton Temporary Parking

Council President Clawson reported that he has received complaints regarding the lack of parking in the downtown area due to ongoing construction. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER THE SUBJECT OF FINDING A TEMPORARY SOLUTION TO THE DOWNTOWN PARKING PROBLEM TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Transportation: Post Office
(NE 4th St) Access Problems

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL REFER TO THE ADMINISTRATION THE MATTER OF ACCESS PROBLEMS AT THE POST OFFICE LOCATED ON NE 4TH STREET. CARRIED.

Mayor Tanner affirmed that a transportation study will be conducted in that area to determine whether circulation improvements are needed.

ESA: Integrated Pest
Management Briefing

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON,
COUNCIL REFER THE TOPIC OF INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE. CARRIED.

King County: Solid Waste
Comprehensive Management
Plan

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler reminded Council that the King County Solid Waste Comprehensive Management Plan is still in the Utilities Committee and the Committee will review the final document when it is issued by King County in February or March.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL RECESS
INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR 20 MINUTES TO DISCUSS PROPERTY
TRANSACTIONS. CARRIED. Time: 8:20 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:40 p.m.; roll was called; all Councilmembers present.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL ADJOURN.
CARRIED. Time: 8:40 p.m.


MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
January 22, 2001